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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Art Unit: 1638

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

This response is filed in connection with the Examiner's communication of November 2, 2004. In that communication the Examiner requested replacement paragraphs be provided for the changes made to the specification, and that the revised abstract be presented on a separate sheet. The applicant had requested the title of the specification be amended, and that sequence identification numbers be inserted at page 5, line 17 of the application, which would be the tenth paragraph on that page. An open parenthetical was not included in that amendment, so a separate amendment adding that parenthetical is also included. Further, the abstract was deleted and a substitute abstract presented. The replacement paragraphs, with the changes marked, are enclosed, as is the abstract with changes marked. In a phone conversation with the Examiner, she indicated the claims were in proper format.

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows.

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